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In re application of : Confirmation No. 2302 **GROUP 1700**
Qingquan SU et al. : Docket No. 2002_0048A
Serial No. 10/031,397 : Group Art Unit 1754
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ACID GAS SCRUBBING APPARATUS
AND METHOD

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of July 10, 2003, Applicants hereby elect Group II, which is drawn to an acid gas scrubbing apparatus and is embodied by claims 8-26, without traverse.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected group is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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